I am in favor of retaining the code requirement.  With the applicant able to memorize the correct answers on the written tests,  I feel that by learning the code it requires some study and actually learning something.  Learning five words per minute is not difficult nor is it unreasonable.  In addition,  it gives the applicant a feeling of self accomplishment,  which I feel will give them a greater respect for the HF spectrum at our disposal.  While I'm in favor of growth in the hobby,  I don't feel we should sacrifice "Quality" over "Quantity."  This issue is extremely inportant to the amateur community and I would hate to see the service get out of control,  and that is my fear if the standards are lowered too much.  Once control of the bands are lost,  I feel they may be lost forever.  Thank you.